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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a continuation application of International Application No. PCT/EP02/05259 filed May 14, 2002:

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entitled: COMPOUNDS WITH NEP/MP-INHIBITORY ACTIVITY AND  
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Enclosed are:

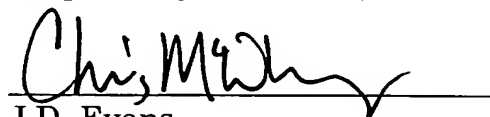
1. Specification, including 50 claims (pages 92).
2. Declaration and Power of Attorney (**unexecuted**).
3. Application Data Sheet.
4. Sequence Listing; diskette and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 1.821(f).
5. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document EP 011 12 231.4, filed on May 18, 2001, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/292,337, filed May 22, 2001.
6. Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of International Application No. PCT/EP02/05259 filed May 14, 2002.

7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee						\$385/770	= \$770.00
Total Claims	<u>50</u>	-	20	=	<u>30</u>	x	\$9/18 = \$540.00
Independent Claims	<u>2</u>	-	3	=	<u>0</u>	x	\$43/86 = \$
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